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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Group Art Unit: 2625

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Date: March 31, 2005

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (IF REQUIRED)**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction in the Office Action dated March 21, 2005, applicants hereby elect without traverse Group I, claims 1-27, for prosecution at this time. If necessary, applicants reserve the right to present the remaining claims in a divisional application at the appropriate time.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fee for such extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 19-2746.

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